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A ſhort Account of all the moſt conſiderable News, *Foreign* and *Domeſtic*.

Edinburgh, Thurſday November 14, 1723.

From the Evening Poſt, Nov. 9. 1723.

Prague, October 30.

THE States of this Kingdom have complied with moſt of the Emperor's Demands, except the Supply of 325000 Florins, againſt which they've made ſome Repreſentations: However, 'tis thought they will break up before his Imperial Majeſty's Departure. His Imperial Majeſty being informed, that certain Perſons go about this Kingdom, to pick up and inliſt tall Men for the Service of a certain Prince; the former Placaerts, forbidding the Enrolling any of his Imperial Majeſty's Subjects for Foreign Powers, have been renewed; ſetting forth, That the Natives who take Service under any Foreign Prince, ſhall forfeit their Rights of Inheritance, and be deprived of all Aſſiſtance from their Relations.

Vienna, October 30. The Czar does not only intend to grant the Eaſt India Company in the Auſtrian Netherlands, great Advantages with relation to the Ruſſian Trade in China, but alſo to ſettle the Succeſſion on his Grandſon the Czarowitz, and to ſend him to Vienna: In conſideration of which, the Czar hopes, that his Imperial Majeſty will at laſt acknowledge him Emperor of Great Ruſſia.

London, Nov. 9. The Marquis de Prie has forbid the Payment of the 500000 Florins due to the States, or any other Arrears they have demanded. Whereupon the States have ordered all their Troops which garriſon the Auſtrian Towns to be upon their Guard, eſpecially thoſe at Namur, as being their neareſt and moſt important Frontier.

Laſt Tueſday a Hackney-coach-man was committed to Newgate by the Commiſſioners for licenſing Hackney Coaches and Chairs, till he pays the Fine impoſed on him for demanding more than his Fare.

S. S. Stock, 112, 1 half. Bank, 120. India, 136. African, 13, 1 8th. York Buildings; 13.

From

From the Flying Poſt.

Paris, Nov. 13. 'Tis affirmed, that the young Duke d'Aumont has the Small Pox, and that the Duke de Geſvres has offered to officiate for him, in his Poſt of Firſt Gentleman of the Bed-chamber till he comes to Age.

On St. Martin's Day, betwixt 11 and 12 at Midnight, a Fire broke out in the Stables of the Light Horſe, over againſt the Palace of the Thuilleries, where was above 500 Quarter of Oats, beſide a vaſt Quantity of Hay and Straw, belonging to the Undertakers of the Verſailes and St. Germains Coaches. They had juſt Time to ſave their Horſes except three, which were burnt with all the Forage and the Stabling, together with a Man that lay aſleep in the Hay; but by the ſpeedy Aſſiſtance of Water, which was brought by the Help of Pumps, together with the Preſence of the Lieutenant of the Police, the Palace of Longueville and the other adjacent Houſes were ſaved.

We are aſſured, that the King has iſſued a Declaration, enjoining, That no Clergyman ſhall be admitted to Orders in any Dioceſe, unleſs he be a Subſcriber to the Formulary.

The Keeper of the Seals has requeſted the Moſt Chriſtian Infanta Queen and the D. de Chartres, to ſtand Godmother and Godfather at the Conſecration of one of the three Bells caſt for the Cathedral of Chartres; and as he is Governor of the ſaid Town, he is to be at the Charge of the Feſtival, for which great Preparations are making.

Vienna, October 30. The Emperor perſiſts in his Reſolution to have the Religious Grievances in the Empire adjuſted by a Commiſſion. Prince Eugene is returned from Prague.

Prague, October 27. Our Reſident at the Ottoman Porte writes, That neither Malta nor Italy have any Thing to apprehend at preſent from the Turks, the Porte being entirely taken up with the Thoughts of getting ſome conſiderable Part of Perſia, during the Diverſions and Troubles of that Kingdom.

Prague, October 30. The States of Bohemia are to have Audience of their Imperial Majeſties in three or four Days, not only to wiſh them a good Journey, but to make a rich Preſent to the Empreſs.

From the Whitehall Evening Poſt.

Paris, Nov; 13. 'Tis aſſured, that the young Duke de Aumont has the Small Pox. A Courier is arrived from Hanover with Letters of Credence for Mr. Horatio Walpole, who is charged with the Affairs of the King of England at this Court, and a Report runs, That Mr. Chavigny will be recalled.

This Court goes into Mourning the 14 Inſtant for the Death of the Great Duke of Tuſcany, which happened at Florence the 31ſt paſt, in the 82d Year of his Age.

The Biſhop of Aire died the 7th Inſtant, in the 66th Year of his Age.

Gobre, Nov. 9. This Morning the Duke and Dutcheſs of Blankenburg arrived here. The King of Pruſſia is expected here next Wedneſday.

London, Nov. 7. There is lately imported from Barbary, in the Wiltſhire Galley, as a Preſent to Mr. Adams, a Merchant, an Oſtrich, alive, of a prodigious Size, being 8 Foot high from Head to Foot, and weighing 250 Pound. Its Strength is very great; which, as natural to thoſe Birds, it exerts chiefly in Kicking, being Club-footed, and with one Stroak can break a Man's Leg. Its downy Feathers, which are black as Jet on the Body, and white as Snow on the Tail, are valued at 20 or 30 l. and are made uſe of as Ornaments in pompous Funerals, and to divers other Purpoſes.

In the preſent Dearth of News, I cannot better entertain our Readers, than with the two following little Poems, which have been the Boaſt of both Parties here; I will only promiſe (without making any Reflections on either) that the Second is an Anſwer to the Firſt, and proceeds upon the Suppoſition that the former is written by the depriv'd Biſhop of Rocheſter, being beautifully conceiv'd as an Epiſtle from the famous Mr. Kelly, to his dear Friend and Patron, occaſioned by reading that his late Poetical Performance.

I.

I.

*A*S o'*re the ſwelling Ocean's Tide*
An exil'd TULLY *rode,*
The Bulwark of the Roman *State,*
In Act, in Thought, a God,
The ſacred GENIUS *of Majeſtick* Rome
Deſcends, and thus laments her Patriot's Doom:

II.

Farewel, renown'd in Arts, Farewel,
Thus conquered by thy Foe,
Of Honours, and of Friends depriv'd,
In Exile muſt thou go:
Yet go content; thy Look, thy Will ſedate,
Thy Soul Superior to the Shocks of Fate.

III.

Thy Wiſdom was thy only Guilt,
Thy Virtue thy Offence:
With Godlike Zeal thou didſt eſpouſe
Thy Country's Juſt Defence:
No ſordid Hopes could charm thy ſteady Soul,
No Fears nor Guilty Numbers cou'd controul,

IV.

What tho' the nobleſt Patriots ſtood
Firm to thy ſacred Cauſe,
What tho' Thou couldſt diſplay the Force
Of Rhe'trick, and of Laws,
No Eloquence, no Reaſon could repel
Th'untired Strength of CLODIUS, and of Hell.

V.

Thy Mighty Ruin to effect
What Plots have been devis'd!
What Arts, what Perjuries been us'd?
What Laws and Rites deſpis'd!
How many Fools and Knaves by Bribes allur'd,
And Witneſſes by Hopes and Threats ſecur'd!

VI.

And yet they act their dark Deceit
Veil'd with a nice Diſguiſe,
And form a ſpecious Shew of Right
From Treachery and Lies;
With Arbitary Power the People awe,
And Coin unjuſt Oppreſſion into Law.

VII.

Let CLODIUS now in Grandeur reign;
Let him exert his Pow'r,
A ſhort liv'd Monſter in the Land,
The Monarch of an Hour:
Let Pageant Fools adore their Wooden God,
And act againſt their Senſes at his Nod.

VIII.

Pierc'd by an untimely Hand
To Earth ſhall He deſcend,
Tho' now with gaudy Honours cloath'd
Inglorious in his End.
Bleſt be the Man, who does his Pow'r defy,
And dares or truely ſpeak, or bravely die.

To

To to the Right Reverend Father in God, FRANCIS *late Lord Bishop of* ROCHESTER.

FROM the fam'd Walls, by Cæsar built I send
This fond Epistle to my injur'd Friend.
Since Fate, that all thy Labours has withstood,
Denies the to recall the STUART's Blood;
Since thou can'st with me conspire no more
To raise the Mitre, and it's Power restore;
Well dost thou try from Verse Relief to find;
Verse can charm Care, and sooth the Exile's Mind:
Nor is it Treason, or will stand a Crime,
To write thy own unquestion'd Praise in Rhime;
Not WALPOLE shall this Privilege restrain,
Nor rob thee of the Pleasure to be vain.

Whate'er thou writ'st, believe me, I approve,
A partial Critick tow'rds the Man I love;
That Love, that Zeal, which always plead for thee,
Hide from my Sight the Stains that others see:
Yet now, I own, an Error I descry,
But view that Error with a friendly Eye:
O! then forgive, and call it not severe,
If for the Fame of ILLINGTON I fear;
Nor scorn th'Advice, while I, thy Friend advise;
Praise thy great self, but in that Praise be wise;
And when thy Virtues next engage thy Muse,
A fitter Scheme, and more agreeing chuse;
Since none, not I, thy Deeds who fondly view,
Can trace a Parallel exactly true,
(Tho' long my darling Passion I have nurst)
Betwixt the second TULLY and the First.

This Parallel the envious Whigs deride,
And rudely treat at once thy Parts and Pride;
Rome's Orator, they cry, grew justly great;
The Hand that rescu'd, not enslav'd his State!
Unweary'd still with factious Arts to strive,
He baffled Treasons, but did ne'er contrive:
In Eloquence did he unrival'd shine;
A little, and disputed Laurel, Thine!

Thus do they talk, thus exercise their Rage
Against thy Virtue, and thy deathless Page:
Howe'er, my Friend, not wholly be depress,
Nor nourish Anguish in thy pious Breast;
Tho, many Tongues assail they spotless Name;
Tho' none allow thee the great *Consul's* Fame;
Yet all this Truth confess, even *Whigs*, thy Foes,
Thy Rhimes like TULLY's are, howe'er unlike thy Prose.

Tower, Nov. 4. GEO. K--LY.
1723.

Wey's Letter verbatim, *London, Nov.* 9 1723.

THEY write from Paris, that a Pamphlet is published there, *entituled, The Inoculated or Insertion of the Small Pox,* by Mr. de la Coste, Physician of the Family at Paris and is dedicated to Mr. Dodar chief Physican to the King. The Author endeavours to answer all the Objections that can be made to the establishing that Practice in France, but most of the Doctors in France are much against it.

They

Thole from Vienna Intimate, that the Imperial Council had reſolved upon a very ſharp Sentence againſt the King of Denmark [as Duke of Holſtein] touching the Fort of Schamburg without the Altena-gate of Hamburg, by which Sentence, all is diſanull'd that has been done in relation thereto by his Daniſh Majeſty; who on the other hand 'tis reported, deſigns ſomething in Favour of the City and Harbour of Gluckſtadt upon the River Elbe. This it ſeems is the Place where the Danes moſt commonly execute their Reſentment upon the Hamburghers when they offer to diſoblige or refuſe them a neceſſary Supply upon Occaſion.

Upon the 25th paſt 13000 Ducates were coined at Vienna out of the Gold Duſt brought thither from Tranſilvania, and newly found out there. Its ſaid that the Czar will not only grant the new Eaſt India Company in the Auſtrian Netherlands great Advantages in relation to the Ruſſian Trade in Perſia, but ſettle the Succeſſion on his Grandſon, the Czarowitz, and ſend him to Vienna; in conſideration of which 'tis ſuppoſed his Imperial Majeſty will acknowledge him Emperor of Great Ruſſia.

The Leopard Man of War is arrived from Lisbon, and gives an Account, that the Sickneſs which has carried off ſo many Thouſands at Lisbon, had much abated.

They write from Portſmouth, That a Ship was arrived there, with an Ambaſſador from the Emperor of Morocco; he came on Board at Gibraltar, and brings with him as a Preſent to his Majeſty, a young Lion, 2 Antelopes, and 2 Oſtriches. They add, That a few Days ago, an Officer at Waltham having ſeized 5 Hogſheads of Wine, was immediatly ſurrounded and attacked by ſeveral Perſons called Blacks, who took and carried off the Booty from the Officer, after having cruelly uſed him and his Aſſiſtants.

'Tis the general Opinion, That the 7 Blacks now in Newgate, and who are to be tried next Wedneſday at the King's Bench Bar, will be executed *in Terrorem*. Mean Time, we are told one of them has impeached ſeveral of his Accomplices; againſt whom Warrants are iſſued for their Apprehenſion.

Yeſterday the Grand Jury of Middleſex drew up at Hickſhall a Preſentment in very ſtrong Terms againſt the new Mint in Wapping, on Account of the ſeveral Outrages and Diſorders which frequently happen there, and likewiſe of the Inhabitants preſuming to arrogate the ſame Privileges as were promiſed to the Mint in Southwark. They alſo reſolv'd upon an Indictment againſt —— Maſſon Eſq. out of whoſe Eſtate this new Mint is ſet up, contrary to Act of Parliament: The Reaſon of this Indictment is ſaid to be his inviting the old Minters to come and ſettle in his Houſes, by which he has raiſed the Rents double the Value they were at before.

The ſaid Grand Jury at the ſame Time, alſo found a Bill againſt a young Gentleman, aged 22 Years, and reputed to be worth 20000 L. for attempting to raviſh an old Woman of 75 Years of Age: The Jury was at firſt very much ſurpriſed to hear of this Information, and made ſeveral Difficulties of finding the Bill; but the Fact was ſo clearly and fully prov'd, That they could not refuſe it.

They write from Dublin, That the Truſtees for the Encouragement of the Linnen Manufacture of that Kingdom, are contracting for large Tracts of Land, to ſow thereon Hemp and Flax.

We don't hear that the Time is yet fixed for going into Mourning, for the Death of the late D. of Tuſcany.

The Biſhop of Exeter is appointed Lord Almoner to the King.

The Lord Townſhend is choſen one of the Governour's of the Charter-houſe, in Room of the late Earl of Cowper.

Mr. Vanderput a rich Merchant, is created a Baronet of this Kingdom.

Yeſterday dyed Sir Thomas Palmer, Member for Rocheſter.

Edinburgh, Nov. 14. The Honourable *Society for Improving in the Knowledge of Agriculture*, held their General Quarterly Meeting at Hope-park, near Edinburgh, upon Saturday the 9th Inſtant: When the Right Honourable the Marquis of Lothian, the Earl of Kinnoul, the Lord Elibank, John Campbell, Eſq; Lord Provoſt of Edinburgh, Sir George Dumbar of Mochrum, Sir Alexander Hope of Kerſs, Mr. Lumiſden of Invergellie, Mr. John Murray, one of the Clerks of Seſſion, and Ronald Campbell of Balerno, Writer to the Signet; Upon their perſonal Application, and ſeveral other Perſons of Diſtinction, by Proxy, were Admitted Members of the ſaid *Society*. And then the *Society* had under their Conſideration ſeveral Matters of Importance relating to the Affairs of the *Society*, in Diſcharge of their laudable Undertaking.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

*** That in *Brown's* Cloſe, *North* Side of the Street, oppoſite to the upper End of the *Lucken-Booths*, the Houſe below the three Steps near the Foot of the Cloſe, are to be ſold, Men and Womens fine Silk Stockings,

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¶. At the Desire of severals of the Creditors of Mr. *David Watson*, late one of the Under-Clerks to the *Bills*. These are to notifie, that its thought proper there be a general Meeting of the saids Creditors, in order to concert Measures for the common Interest of all, and for prosecuting and recovering his Funds, for operating their Payments, which if not timely done, may perish: And therefore its desired, that they by themselves or their Doers do meet at *John's Coffee-house* on *Wednesday* the 20th of *November* Instant, at three of the Clock Afternoon.

THE *Committee of* George Windram *of* Eymouth's *Creditors, having adjusted the Rental of the Estate, in order that the same may be brought to a voluntary Roup, have appointed a General Meeting of the haill Creditors to be held upon the first* Thursday *of* December *next, in the House of* Patrick Herdman *Vintner in* Edinburgh, *at 3 of the Clock in the Afternoon, for Concerting the Manner of the Ranking of their Debts and Terms of the Sale, and desire they will bring the Instructions of their Debts, and lodge them in the Hands of the Clerk to the Meeting.*

By Order of the Judge of the High Court of ADMIRALITY,

THat the Sloop or Bark, *James* of *Findhorn*, formerly the *James* of *Kirkcaldie*, Burden about 26 Tons or thereby, now lying in the Harbour of *Leith*, with her whole Rigging, Appareling and Furniture, is to be exposed to sale by publick Roup in the High Court of *Admirality* upon *Friday* the 29th of *November* Instant, betwixt the Hours of 3 and 4 Afternoon. The Inventary and Conditions of Sale to be seen in the Hands of the Clerk of Admirality: As also at the *Exchange Coffee-House* in *Edinburgh*, and at Mr. *Miln's Coffee-House* on the Shoar of *Leith*.

†‡† *That there is to be set in Tack for seven Years to come, the Mansion House of* Meadowbank, *consisting of five Fire Rooms, and sundry Conveniencies, lying seven Miles* West *from* Edinburgh, *in the Parish of* Kirknewton, *having a good Yard, with Office Houses, as Barn, Byre, Brew-house, &c. all in good Repair; together with twenty-seven Acres of arable Ground, and three of Meadow, besides as much Pasturage as will maintain four Horses and four Kine all Summer over the Ground, both arable and pasturage, lying contiguous to the House, and inclosed with a dry Stone Dike: The House beautified with some young Planting: The Entry to the Land to commence presently, and to the Houses, at* Whitsunday *first. Any that incline to take it, may call for* Edward Burd *of* Ormiston, *Writer in* Edinburgh, *at the Laigh Coffee House, betwixt the Hours of Ten and Twelve Forenoon, or at* William Henderson *Merchant his House, in the Foot of* Forrester's *Wind.*

THAT *upon* Monday *the* 18*th of* November *Instant, in the House of* Arthur Reid *Vintner in* Edinburgh, *betwixt the Hours of* 3 *and* 4 *Afternoon, there is to be exposed to publick voluntar Roup, the Lodging in the* Covenant *Close, lately possest by the deceast Commissar* Alves, *consisting of a good Dining-room,* 3 *Bed Rooms, a large Kitchen, Cellar and other Conveniencies. The Writs and Conditions of Roup to be seen at* Andrew Alves, *his writing Chamber at* Don's *Close-head.*

¶*¶ That the good Ship called *The Margaret of Dysert*, *Alexander Ogilvie* Master, as she presently lies in the Harbour of *Leith*, with her whole Furniture, Burden 32 Tons or thereby, is to be exposed to voluntar Roup and Sale, in the House of *William Brown* on the *Coalhill* of *Leith*, upon *Wednesday* the 27th of this Instant *November*, betwixt the Hours of 2 and 4 in the Afternoon, the Inventars of the said Ship to be seen at the *Exchange Coffee-House* in *Edinburgh*, and *Will's Coffee-House* in *Leith*.

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